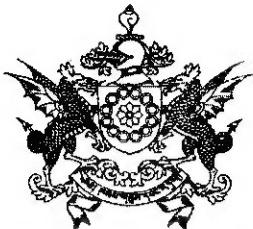


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NOTIFICATION

The State Government is hereby pleased to revise the "Grant of Incentive to couple for Inter Caste Marriage" in terms of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 from the financial year 2022-23. The rate of Incentives for Inter Caste Marriage is hereby enhanced to Rs.60,000/- (Rupees Sixty Thousand only) per couple as a One Time Grant.

The couple shall fulfill the following criteria to be eligible to claim the incentive under this Scheme:-

1. Incentive will be available to couple when one of the spouses belongs to Scheduled Caste and the other does not belong to Scheduled Caste.
2. At the time of marriage, the girl must be between the age of 18 to 30 years and the boy between the age of 21 to 35 years. However, relaxation age up-to 40 years will be considered in case of widow remarriage.
3. The couple shall produce Marriage Certificate issued by the Competent Authority.
4. The couple shall produce Birth Certificate/School Leaving Certificate/Voter Identity Card to ascertain their age.
5. The couple shall produce Sikkim Subject Certificate/Certificate of Identification issued by the Competent Authority.

This Notification supersedes the earlier Notification No.84/SJEWD dated 19th March, 2016 published in extraordinary Gazette No. 89 dated 31st March, 2016 read with Corrigendum dated 31.08.2022.

By Order and in the name of the Governor.

**Tshewang Gyachho, SCS
Secretary to the Government
File No. 233/GOS/SJ&WD/2022**

